

"Why the Chimes Rang," a Christmas story, was given to a large and appreciative audience at 259th Place School during the December meeting of the P-TA last Thursday. The program was presented by the 6th grade students under the direction of Mrs. Esther Morrison and Mrs. Caroline Blake. Mr. Ray Morrison adapted the story from the book of the same name. The children who appeared in the play were Richard Crane, Evaristo Montoya, Gary Bechtold, Williamae Moses, Eldon Beasley, David Riddle, Lillian Odegard, Raymond Trevethan, Judy Jacobely, Charles Bean and Lucille Saracco. The choir of 6th grade students sang Christmas carols

under the direction of Mrs. Gertrude Nordgren. Manuel de Leon painted a beautiful stained glass window for the church scene. The stage crew were Joel Boderman, Wilbur Fukuzaki, Leslie Chikami and Ronald Short. The meeting was opened with an invocation given by Rev. Eldon Durham. During the business meeting Mrs. C. L. Wilson reported that the paper drive netted \$118.66, half for the P-TA welfare program and half to the student body fund. Miss Frances Dastarac, school principal, talked about the history of the Bill of Rights. During the meeting, speakers used the new microphone that was given to the school by the P-TA as part of a Christmas present. There was a tie in attendance. The classes of Mrs. Morrison and Mrs. Blake will be presented with an ice cream treat.

OES Holds Christmas Celebrations

A large group of members and visitors gathered in the Masonic Temple on Thursday evening for the regular meeting of Torrance Chapter No. 380, OES. Worthy Matron Florence Viellenave and Worthy Patron Vincent Viellenave presided over the short business session. Then all were invited to the Banquet Hall where Mrs. Helene Miller and her committee had made the arrangements for the annual Christmas party. Table decorations carried out the holiday theme and a large, beautifully decorated Christmas tree formed the center of attraction. Refreshments were served, followed by a gift exchange. Mrs. Miller was assisted by: Alice Spehger, Gladys Mothersell, Garnet Satterfield, Mona Williams, Gertrude Martin, Bud Edwards, Oscar Fossum, Ray Lougee and Clyde Satterfield.

Even elephants have tuberculosis. The description of diseases of elephants in old Hindu literature shows that TB was frequent among the giant pachyderms in India as far back as 2000 B.C.

P. Germain Stationed In Japan

Pfc Paul E. Germain, son of Mrs. Ethel S. Germain, 1634 252d st., Harbor City, Calif., recently spent a seven-day rest and recuperation leave in Kobe, Japan. Normally stationed in Korea with the 287th Signal Company, he stayed at one of Japan's best resort hotels and enjoyed many luxuries unobtainable on the war-torn peninsula. Germain, a former employee of the U.S. Navy, was a war-housman for the John Mansville Co., in civilian life.

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